

# THE WAR CRY

AND OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE SALVATION ARMY IN CANADA AND NEWFOUNDLAND.

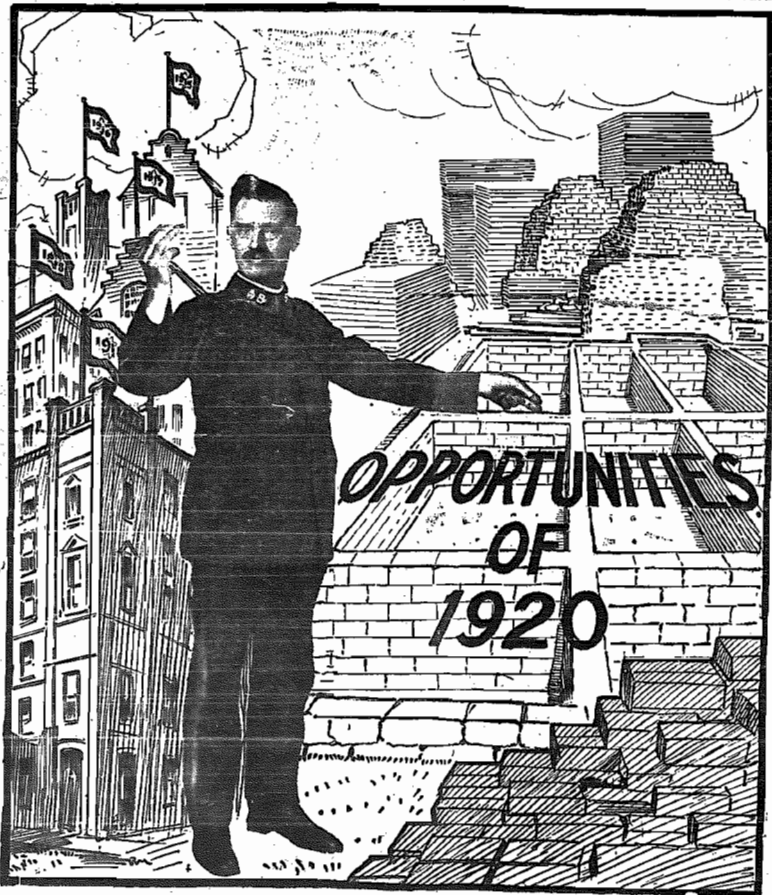
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To the Salvation Army in Canada East, Newfoundland, and Bermuda!

"We have built well in 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, and 1919; now go to it with the opportunities of 1920 to erect an edifice to the glory of God that shall stand far above any other!" (See the Commissioner's Letter, Page Nine.)

## REDEEMING THE TIME

The Wise Use of Odd Moments Tends to Improve the Soul and Make Us More Helpful to Others

OF ALL true sayings, those which refer to the Right of time are perhaps the truest. The proverb of every nation tells us that life is short and death certain—and it is true.

Because the length of our sojourn on earth is short, it is of the utmost importance we should "redeem the time," as the apostle bids us, "as the marginal note puts it, 'buy up the opportunity.'"

#### Mixed Their Chance

Oceans of paths are poured in oblivion over the thought of the lack of time and opportunity for doing great and noble things. How often we hear people bemoaning the fact that life with them has offered no chance for self-improvement. They had the sense of the obligation and the desire to do, but alas the moment wherein to make a beginning never came.

Yet it is within bounds to say that the vast majority of these mourners had it in their own hands to get this increase of stature—this learning, knowledge, or whatever it was—they had but only failed to use odd moments.

Take, for instance, the single matter of reading. In these days of cheap editions of good literature practically anybody can, between the hours of waking and sleeping, get a precious impulse from a few minutes' perusal of some worth-while volume.

#### Interludes of Quiet

There are always spare fractions of an hour, before or after meal-time, in the journey to and from business, or during the brief waiting while of daily existence, and these interludes of quiet, richly used, can be made to yield a rich harvest of comfort, instruction, and inspiration—of education in the deepest sense. The world fairly teems with examples of those who have gained their power and their success in this way.

But there is a higher reason than mere material success for cul-

## A NEW YEAR LESSON

No lesson may more appropriately be impressed upon the mind at the beginning of the new year than this: that the battle of duty is a life-long struggle, in which new dangers and new demands appear every day, and hour, and which cannot be terminated by any good resolution or other act of the will.

God clearly shows us the importance and the utility of times and seasons, but always in the way of suggestion or warning, never of saving ordinances. A good resolution is a good thing, but, after all, it is nothing but a resolution. It is a far thing to determine to be a soldier; it is quite another thing to fight faithfully in a hundred battles.

Too often a man's righteous purpose is indefinitely postponed by a momentary action and lulls the soul to sleep; or, else, after a futile effort to win moral triumphs, trusting in human strength, the unfortunate man throws all his ambitions and seemingly sincere intentions to the winds, and desperately gives himself up to worse and more reckless sin.

The Christian, like every other man, is likely to have a fall; but in his fall he must expect to be caught by the outstretched arm, and not by any careful observance of the precise time of day or the exact state of his surroundings at the moment when he begins to make an effort to ward under things. It is even better to look backward to the wrong in time, than to look forward to the right in time.

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## THE WAY OF SALVATION

You realize you need salvation. Thank God for it. If you are living to repent, and to forsake your sins, and to obey His voice, you can go to Him with the certainty of His help. If you are living to sin, and to disobey His voice, you can go to Him with the certainty of His forgiveness; and that through faith in the Atonement of Jesus Christ you will be made and kept in the Kingdom of God.—S.A.C.

life is but an extension of the present; that those who have sown to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption.

Some people want the door of Heaven opened to them without any effort on their own part. Yet one of the great words of religion is seek and another is believe. "He that believeth and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life."

Then how important it is that we should give all diligence to make our calling and election sure, to lay up treasures in Heaven—eternal treasures that will make us rich in the hereafter. Remember, "Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life to come." (1st Timothy 4, 8).

## FIVE YEARS IN COMMAND

A Review of the Victories God Has Given the Salvation Army During the Period Commissioner Richards Has Been at the Head of the Forces in the Canada East Territory

## INDICATIONS OF ABUNDANT VITALITY AND OVERCOME AND LOSSES VIGOROUS GROWTH—WAR-TIME DIFFICULTIES MORE THAN MADE GOOD

ON the 26th of November, 1914, Commissioner Richards assumed command of the forces of the Salvation Army in Canada, Newfoundland, and Bermuda, landing at Vancouver from New Zealand, with Mrs. Richards. It has been thought, and we are sure you readers will agree, that this would be an appropriate occasion to review the work of the five years which have now elapsed since their arrival in Canada.

Furthermore, the events of this period have been unprecedented, not only in their own stupendous import, but in the effect they have had upon the organized endeavour. The war, thank God, has now of it with which this continent is particularly in touch, is approaching the conditions which seem likely will be those of the future will regard more or less as normal. There will, therefore, be a natural curiosity to know how the storm has been weathered.

## SOME OUTSTANDING FEATURES

On these grounds, as well as for other good and sufficient reasons that will be obvious, much of our space this week is given to reports from the heads of the Headquarters' Departments concerning the various sections of work.

To obtain full knowledge of the position it is necessary these reports should be studied carefully, but there are a few outstanding features which may be taken as indicators of the general progress, and which call for special mention.

For instance, there is the fact that during the five years more than eleven thousand persons are recorded as having sought Salvation at Salvation Army penitents.

Notwithstanding the losses due to the war, many comrades having made the supreme sacrifice, and removals from the Territory, which during the earlier part of the period were numerous, there are to-day on our Soldiers' Rolls nearly two thousand more names than in this Territory five years ago.

So vigorous has been the growth that has taken place during these strenuous days that notwithstanding the separation of Canada West from the Eastern Territory, which took place July, 1915, there are now in active service in the East only forty-one fewer Officers and employees than were in the combined Territories five years ago. The totals to-day are 1,005 for the East and 420 for the West, making the net gain in the East 379.

## BETTER PROVISION FOR OFFICERS

There has been, as a result of careful consideration of the position, and the adoption of wise legislation to meet the needs, a very substantial improvement in the provision made for the support of Officers. For superannuation provision by illness. Compared with the opportunities for worldly advancement that are all around, the position of an Officer in the Salvation Army in this respect is one of self-sacrifice, but this sacrifice in the development of the Organization has now been reached when provision does not go beyond this, and the past five years have seen a great advance in this matter. One Field Officer of conspicuous eminence, is writing to the Commissioner, "I have never known a period as 'the best five years of the Field Officers' life in this country.' No one will, we are sure, misunderstand the position—the thankfulness expressed is not for the mere money, but for the greater application to the work in hand which one is capable of when relieved from undue anxiety about financial affairs."

On what is sometimes regarded as the more material side of things in the realm of money and property, there has been progress made that looked at from the standpoint of cause, or of effect, is equally gratifying. Without equipment and the wherewithal to pay one's way, little can be done, at any rate in the way of sustained effort; on the other hand, there is no quicker way to financial prosperity and the provision of the means necessary for the maintenance and development of the Salvation War than that of spiritual life and progress.

## SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE ON THE FIELD

TOTWILKING the war and all the accompanying disturbance of affairs, the records of the Field Department show that substantial progress has been made during the past five years under conditions when even to have maintained the Field work would be conceded to be a task of the greatest difficulty. The women, of course, have been especially successful.

It has been demonstrated that certainly was the foundation of the Army Divinely laid when he gave woman, years in advance of the times, her rightful place. In the absence of many of our men on the front lines, the women have been called upon to undertake special work and in increasing numbers, and the flag has been held high. Many of our Soldiers and adherents have made the supreme sacrifice during the war. Notwithstanding these grave losses, and others incurred through removals from the country, we have actually 128 more Soldiers on our Rolls to-day in Canada East than we had five years ago. To the Soldiers' Rolls we have added a total of over 12,000.

The Home League has been started. At the present time there are 130 Societies in Canada East. Mrs. Commissioner Richards

## HOPE FOR NEW YEAR

Have you really tramped the up and down, shining tracks? Have you ever vowed that you would not turn back? Have you ever sought for good (As your Master said you should)? If you haven't, well, we hope you'll start to do so.

Have you ever met reverses in good cause? Have you ever met and stung you deeply to the heart? Have you ever looked for light (Neath the clouds of darkest hue)? If you haven't, well, we hope you sometimes may.

Have you ever in the Army opened—? Have you ever heard the Master's "Son, be true"? Have you heard the call to war? As have hearts have done before? If you haven't, well, we hope you will today.

Have you ever felt that faith was giving out? Have you ever felt that you must yield to doubt? Would you ever made to mend? Have you ever felt forlorn? If you haven't, well, we hope you never may.

## THE SEARCHLIGHT

In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths. I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them by paths which they have not known; I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass. I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go; I will guide thee with mine eye.

## WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED OR LOST!

IN the parable of Dives and Lazarus our Lord gives us a picture of what it means to be saved and what it means to be lost.

There was a rich man who had been so busy enjoying life that he had forgotten, or never thought about, the time when he must remove to the other side of the river. He had made no preparation. He had just neglected Salvation.

Now, when he crosses the river he leaves all his wealth behind but takes his memory. It is well to fix on the mind that we carry beyond. Memory has been known to make a hell on earth for some.

Strange! He can see Heaven. He can see Lazarus, the beggar,

"Neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead."—Luke xxi, 27.

who used to be thankful for a few crumbs from the table. Although Lazarus is a great gulf separating them, he can speak with Lazarus. He asks for just a drop of water to cool his parched tongue; and pleads that Father Abraham will send him to him. Then he says, "I pray thee, Father Abraham, that you send him to my father's house. I have five brothers; let him testify unto them, lest they come to this place of torment."

Abraham replies, "They have Moses and the prophets; let them listen to them. If they will not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rose from the dead."

For your benefit and mine Jesus has drawn this picture. Learned people, who do not profess to be Christians, tell us that the future

## What Are You Doing in the Campaign?

has given this Branch a great deal of her time. The services of the Home League during the war, and since, are too well known to need any further explanation.

Twenty-three new Corps have been opened during the five years, as follows:—

Milico, Brock Avenue (Toronto), Fairbank



The Paris Citadel

One of many Corps Halls erected during the five years

(Toronto), London 111, Scovill's Island, Nfld., Clanges Island, Nfld., St. Anthony's Light, Nfld., Griquet, Nfld., Lush's Light, Nfld., Springdale, Nfld., Weston, Nfld., S. W. Arm, Nfld., Lewisport, Nfld., Timmins, Peterboro 11, Windsor 11, Trenton, N.S., Birchy Bay, Nfld.,

Bishop's Falls, Nfld., Preston, Meckel 111, Hamilton IV.

In addition to this, nine Corps have been re-opened. If we add to these the old Corps in Canada West which were opened in first year the Commissioner was here, when head charge of the whole of Canada, the total would be forty.

Then many Corps, by the good blessing of God and to the credit of enterprising Officers and Soldiers, have made excellent progress. Look for example at West Toronto, which put on sixty-nine new Soldiers during one Officer's term. Kingston is another that has done splendidly. Did space permit, we could mention Corps after Corps.

It is, of course, well known that during the five years there was a separation of Canada West Territory from the east. This, at the time, to some appeared a serious matter, but to be quite frank, from the Field side of affairs, we have scarcely noticed the fact that we have lost all the Territories West of Fort Arthur, for the very good reason that such excellent advances have been made in Canada East. There were in the combined Territories five years ago 1,046 Officers and employees. To-day we have 1,005, or only forty-one less in the Eastern Territory alone.

#### Changes in Administration

Among the provisions made for the better administration of affairs has been the raising of Newfoundland to the status of a Provincial Command, and now, as announced last week, to that of a Sub-Territory. In the Eastern Provinces there has been a re-arrangement of the Divisional Commands and the constitution of a new

Division embracing the Coast from Cape Breton Island.

To-day we have also Corps in the Canada West Territory, or only forty-three Corps fewer in the combined Territories than we had.

The internal conditions have improved, and as a result the Corps have greatly benefited. The series of Officers are much better fitted. The Harvest Festival is now being maintained by the Corps and the other half aided by Territorial Headquarters for the assistance of more needy Corps. This has been made possible by the doubling of the Harvest Fair returns within the five years.

#### Great Self-Denial Increase

Then the Self-Denial Fund has increased to \$43,268.80 in the combined Territories to \$51,299 raised in Canada East Territory alone which all goes to show the Field has done well.

The spirit of revival is also within. Reports of "The War Cry" will know that the reports constantly tell us that the Spirit of God is being made manifest in the Salvation of our men over this Territory. The Winter Soldier-Save campaign is going well.

A very pleasing feature is that thirty-five Officers have applied for reinstatement during this period, whom we have been delighted to have with us again.

Never was the Door of Opportunity so wide open or public opinion so sympathetic with us. There is undoubtedly a glorious future ahead of the Salvation Army in Canada East Newfoundland, and the Bermudas.—F. Morris, Field Secretary.

## Excellent Recruitment of Our Coming Army

IN reviewing the work accomplished during the past five years in connection with the Young People, it is gratifying to note that despite the many difficulties the advances made have been substantial and encouraging.

In every branch, from the Cradle Roll to the Corps Cadet Brigade, marked increases have been made, reflecting the deep and practical interest of Commissioner Richards in this important phase of Army activity.

#### Pronounced Advances

A few of the outstanding features are certainly worthy of special mention, although, did space permit, one might take each branch in detail and show just how uniform and pronounced are the advances on every hand. However, a fair idea of the whole may be gathered from the following:—

The Life-Saving Scout and Guard Organizations were inaugurated.

The Junior Company Registers show an increase of 4,000 names.

The Cradle Roll an increase of nearly 5,000 names.

These two items may be said to represent an

increase in Junior Corps Membership of 5,000 for the five years.

In comparing the attendance at the Company meetings for the year 1914 with the year 1919, we find that the latter shows an aggregate attendance of 37,388 over 1914.

The week-night attendance, which includes Young People's week-night Salvation meetings, Band of Love, Life-Saving Scouts and Guards and Corps Cadet Classes, shows an increase of nearly 2,000, comparing the total attendance of 1914 with 1919.

The number of Corps Cadets has more than doubled.

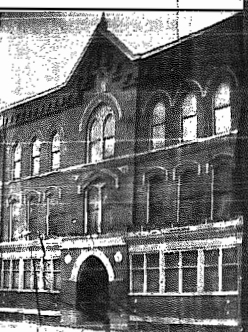
Naturally, the finances have correspondingly increased, the income of the Junior Corps being nearly three times what it was in 1914.

#### Days of Great Importance

The Young People's Days, which have been a feature of great importance during the past five years, have been productive of splendid results. Altogether there have been 24,000 attendances at these, and 2,615 seekers have knelt at the Cross,

of whom 1,347 sought Salvation the remainder holiness.

The Commissioner has been very practical



London Divisional Headquarters and the No. 1, Citadel

An example of the remodeling carried out by the Property Department, which has given many Corps practically new buildings.

his method of assisting with the improvement of the Young People's Hall, and has made substantial grants for that purpose so that the is an all-round betterment in this direction.

The equipment of the Junior Corps, such as Sunday Trays, Screens, Small Chairs for the young Classes, etc., has been very greatly improved, and further developments along this line are in hand.

It is a pleasure to

The Organization of the Young People's work has been greatly advanced, the increase of Young People's Local Officers being nearly 500 in the past five years. This prospect for still further advances are bright and our work has outlook is most encouraging.



The Buildings at Jackson's Point Fresh-Air Camp

Here every year hundreds of poor children, and Life-Saving Guards and Scouts, spend a happy and health-giving holiday. Provision is also made for "furloughing" Officers at this delightful spot on the shores of Lake Simcoe, a short distance north of Toronto.

## Thousands of Needy and Unfortunate Succoured

### THE WOMEN'S SOCIAL

WHAT during the past five years over five thousand women and children have been succoured and provided for in the Homes of the Women's Social-Work is the splendid record that Brigadier Des Brisay reports on at this branch. What rivers of tears have dried up! What stress of mind relieved! What regions of broken hearts healed, and broken lives mended! What a blessing to the com-



Cosy Corner of Sun-room at London (ONL) Women's Hospital

munity as well as a bringing of untold joy to the fallen and needy!

For a considerable time past desire has been shown by married women to have the advantage of the skill and care for which our nurses and homes and hospitals have become noted. During the past five years there have been notable developments in this direction.

In addition to the unmarried mothers who are included in the number given above, many private patients have received attention. Only for the last twelve months are these figures available, but during that time over seven hundred women have been treated, and over five hundred and fifty infants have come into the world in the private wards of the Army's Hospitals at Toronto, London, Montreal, Ottawa, St. John, N.E., Halifax, Hamilton and St. John's, Nfld.

#### Notable Additions to Equipment

There have been some notable additions to the equipment of this branch, others are in hand, and still others are being for attention at the earliest possible moment.

The so-called new wing, but which is really larger than the original Institution, to the Bethesda Hospital at London, Ont., is the largest of the schemes that have been completed.

In connection with this there was opened the Royal Gray Memorial Children's Home.

A Hospital and Nurses Home at Windsor, which is a large building, with a staff, and which promises to develop into larger still is due for opening before this issue of the "Cry" is in circulation.

New commodious and much better quarters were found for the St. John, N.E., Rescue Home and Maternity Hospital. To these a new wing is now being added.

A large house was secured for the Toronto Rescue Home, and the accommodation of the Children's Home increased.

A Receiving Home has been opened in Montreal.

A Maternity Hospital and Nurses' Home at Sydney C.B. is to be opened within the next few weeks.

The very large Maternity Hospital which is being built at Halifax is well under way and completed during the year.

#### Shelters Receiving Attention

The schemes which have already received attention, and which are in their preliminary stages, are new Maternity Hospitals at Montreal and St. John's, Nfld., and one at St. John's, Nfld. already existing at Toronto

The Women's Metropole at Montreal is a most useful Institution. During the five years no fewer than 48,417 night's lodgings have been provided, and over 100,000 meals. Two meetings a week are held here and at these 171 women have sought Salvation.

Of all the objects of pity, a friendless woman in a police court is perhaps one of the most appealing. In Toronto, during the five years the Women's Police Court and Prison Visitor, Commandant Young, has a magnificent record to give. It is summed up in the following figures:—

Toronto Women's Prisons.—Meetings conducted with prisoners, 414; Attendances, 11,510; Personal interviews, 845; Profound conversion, 527; Pried with individually, 2,603; Letters written for prisoners, 189; "War Cris" distributed, 15,314.

Toronto Police Court.—Women prisoners interviewed, 1,282; Spoken for in Court, 585; Sent by Court to Salvation Army, 401; Restored to friends, 200; Found situations, 78; Beds provided for homeless, 6,386; Meals given, 18,355; Articles of clothing given, 831; Letters written for prisoners, 269.

#### Development at Montreal

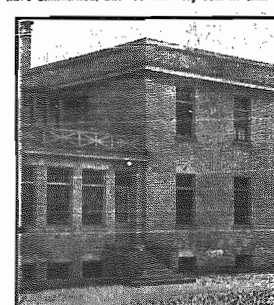
One of the developments of the past year has been the appointment of an Officer to attend the Montreal Women's Police Court daily. The officials have granted her access to the cells, where each offender is interviewed before the Court opens. Many young women have already been handed over to the care of the Salvation Army by the Magistrate, and have thus been saved from further wrong-doing.

In addition to the work done by specially-appointed Officers, as above, much in this way is done by women Officers, and particularly the wives of Officers stationed at various Corps, and by the sisters who belong to the League of Mercy.

### THE MEN'S SOCIAL

THE Men's Social Department, which has also been much active during the past five years, in some directions, owing to the special conditions that have prevailed, there has been less need, there having been, for instance, practically no unemployment for a long time, but in other directions there have been notable developments.

Before the establishment of the special Hostels for military men, the Institutions in the cities did a great work in providing for soldiers who needed places at which to stay when passing through. Precautions have been taken to maintain the Institutions and organization in working order ready for any emergency that may arise, as well as to deal with the needs of the situation from day to day, which though, as already intimated, have diminished, but are still very real in character.



The Fine and Commodious New Wing of the Bethesda Hospital

After. Among the advances made has been the removal of the St. John (N.B.) Metropole to more suitable premises, and the renovation of the Chatham Street property in Montreal as an Industrial Home for men who are handed over to the Army from the Police Court.

The Prison Work (reports Lieut.-Colonel Chandler, the Territorial Secretary) has made great strides, and has kept Officers busy and Institutions occupied.

#### Parole System Working Well

In Ontario the Parole System has seen a most remarkable development, the Provincial Government seeking the advice and assistance of the Salvation Army, and granting us exceptional privileges, through Orders-in-Council, for receiving men on parole, and placing them in positions. Only a small proportion of the men have failed to respond to the trust reposed in them in connection with this system, and this has caused the authorities to warmly commend the Salvation Army for its share in this application.

The work of caring for the wives and children of those incarcerated has been committed to us and has also been done efficiently and successfully. To Brigadier William Frazer, the Assistant Prison Secretary, praise is certainly due for the continued development of this branch.

The extent of the work that is being done by the Officers of the Department who do work in connection with this branch is indicated by the following statistics:—

Interviews with prisoners, 42,750; ex-prisoners for whom employment found with us by the Salvation Army, 2,537; prisoners met on discharge, 2,747; meetings held in prisons, 3,232; prisoners' protracted conversion, 1,215; publications given away to prisoners, 74,518; meals supplied to prisoners, after discharge, 18,775; hours spent in prison work, 92,761; clothing given to prisoners, 2,192; fares paid for prisoners, 3,083; night's lodgings provided, 6,763.

Police Court visited, 254; prisoners visited, 516; hours spent in Police Court work, 5,190; Police Court cases turned over to the Salvation Army, 973; prisoners supplied with clothing, 322; prisoners' families supplied with food, 300; letters written for prisoners, 6,558.

The following totals are for nine months only, this being the period this special work has been placed in our hands by the Government of Ontario: Prisoners' families visited, 1,851; families visited in the interest of prisoners, 3,882; prisoners paroled and found employment, 318.

While Ontario shows up so well, Montreal has also great things to report. The Police Court officials have extended great facilities for our getting in touch with prisoners.

#### Co-Workers with Authorities

The Parole System has also taken in the Salvation Army Officers there as co-workers in seeking to help and assist those who are being given another chance. The jails at Bordeaux and Vincent de Paul are visited regularly, and meetings conducted there.

In the Missing Friends Department, work has been maintained with gratifying success, hundreds of lost friends and relatives of inquirers having been traced.

# Marked by "Promptness, Efficiency and Humanity"

THE appointment of Commissioner Richards to Canada occurred within a very few months after the outbreak of the Great War. One of his earliest acts (writes Lieut.-Colonel Chandler, the Territorial Military Secretary) was to set about the obtaining of motor ambulances for dispatch overseas, the



The Toronto Hostel  
First opened Link in the Ocean-to-Ocean Chain

dedication of same taking place in the Massey Hall. Several Canadian Officers were placed at the disposal of the military authorities and appointed Chaplains for home service, two of whom, Captains Robinson and Milton, later on went with the men overseas and made the supreme sacrifice. Others were eventually appointed overseas, giving splendid service at the camps in England, the base in France, and in the front-line trenches.

**Great Drive for Funds**  
From time to time Tag Days were held to raise funds for the overseas work, but in the Fall of 1918, when no one could foresee the end of the struggle, a Great Drive for funds was arranged. Over a million and a half dollars for past, present, and future work was the outcome.

Then followed the securing and opening of a Chain of Hostels from coast to coast, including Halifax, St. John (N.B.), Quebec, Montreal, Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton, Chatham, and London, so far as Canada East was concerned. An interesting circumstance was the means of bringing into operation the Dependents' Hostel at Toronto. One Sunday afternoon a military official of high rank rushed into the Soldiers' Hostel there, and asked if there was any means by which the Salvation Army could get some workers down to the station within fifteen minutes as a "dependents' train" by the way, the first of these—from New York had just arrived, with five hundred women and children, and there was no one to meet them, and a large number would not have any place to go to. Major Southall happened to be there at the time and telephoned the Chief Secretary, and within the fifteen minutes numbers of the "House Brigade" were on their way from various institutions, and the crowd of people duly fixed up.

**Meeting Called by Mayor**  
This experience caused the Mayor to call a meeting at the City Hall for the purpose of organizing means for dealing with this situation, and different societies were assigned duties accordingly. By no means the least of this responsibility fell to the lot of the Salvation Army. Mrs. Colonel McMillan organizing a band of women workers who met all trains. The Commissioner promptly decided to transform the "Re-Saving Scout Lodge" into a "Hostel for Soldiers' Dependents" and it was quickly

taxed to its capacity, and during nine months 10,219 free meals and 3,064 free beds were given. At the Toronto Soldiers' Hostel over 40,000 beds have been supplied, 4,008 being free of charge. No fewer than 16,732 meals were also given to returned men. Employment was found for 148. These figures are typical of the work done all around.

When men arrived at the home ports, there have been representatives of the Salvation Army at the gangways to extend warm greetings, and distribute lunch boxes for the train journey, containing fruit, chocolate, and other "extras," and a copy of "The War Cry." In the sheds on the wharves were cautions where the Salvation Army supplied coffee and etables free of charge.

## Thousands of Welcome Boxes

Some idea of what has been done will be gathered from the statement that during seven months (February to September) at Halifax alone, the following supplies were used in making up 150,416 Welcome Boxes: Oranges, 139,464; chocolate bars, 140,138; gums, 415,132; biscuits, 235,922; peanuts, 30,247 lbs.; apples, 25,538; maple sugar, 100 lbs.

During the same period 442 telegrams were sent, and 15,721 letters and postcards distributed, collected, and mailed; 138,704 copies of "The War Cry," 3,600 newspapers, and 271 pairs of



Montreal—The Last-opened

socks were also given away, as well as free of charge to the men or their dependents.

In four months at Quebec 11,426 Welcome Boxes and 709 Children's Boxes were provided. Of tea and coffee, 1,223 gallons were made and given away in the canteen. The telegrams sent were 81, and the letters and postcards mailed amounted to 9,934.

Another important feature in connection with the Commissioner's administration in this branch was the establishment of the District Visitation plan. His judgment on this matter has been more than justified by the splendid results achieved. Immediately our Visitors started to



In the Shipping Street

visit homes, demands came in thick and fast upon us to deal with matters of various kinds—financial, domestic, and otherwise. Many difficulties were straightened out and family troubles adjusted, with the result that many homes today are complete and happy that otherwise would have been broken up.

During nine months 2,967 families were visited, and of these it was found nearly five hundred families needed special counsel or the material comforts, groceries, clothing, etc. As in the former particulars, these figures refer to Toronto alone. Similar work has been carried on throughout the Territory.

## For Wives and Dependents

Hospital accommodation for soldiers' wives and dependents has also been provided at London, St. John, Windsor (Ont.), and Halifax, where extensions or new buildings have been put in hand, and at all other centres where hospitals already exist.

Another phase of after-war work undertaken was the meeting of the hundreds of thousands of returning troops, at Halifax, St. John (N.B.), and Quebec, who had been systematically met in the large cities like Toronto and Montreal, and many were the recipients of the Army's hospitality in our Hostels.

Hands of qualified visitors have worked incessantly, visiting the wives and dependents of our brave boys, giving practical assistance and advice.

## Earned Grateful Acknowledgements

The programme has been, and still remains, a big one, but the manner in which, under the wise and thoughtful direction of the Commissioner, it has been put into effect has earned grateful acknowledgements not only from the men and their folk, but from the government bodies and societies in co-operation with whom so much work has been done. For instance, in a letter to the Commissioner, signed by the Chairman (General J. A. Gunn), Chairman of the Welfare Council (John M. Godfrey), and Secretary (Dr. J. H. Abbott) of the Children's Repatriation League of Toronto, we take the following passages:—

"The service which your Officers have given us has been marked by three outstanding characteristics, namely, Promptness, Efficiency, and Humanity."

"We desire to base testimony to the wisdom you have shown in dealing with soldiers' wives, and soldiers' children in trouble. We cannot find words to express our appreciation of your work which will, at the same time, let people realize the thought that you put on each case and the care that you exercise in handling the people that come under your notice."

"We imagine that no one will ever realize how much the Salvation Army has done in the disturbing period through which we are still passing, but we do know that the way in which you have spent the money which was entrusted to you, is ample warrant for the people giving you their name to carry on your benevolent work for the upbuilding of a better citizenship. Thousands of men, women, and children love you for what you have done for them, and in Canada as a whole, even the Salvation Army such tribute as can be given to an organization of men and women whose idea of life is to see that they ask only to be given it opportunity to serve."

# The Property and Architect's Department Serves All

CONCERNED in the progress of every section of the Army's work, as the provider of equipment without which neither Field, Senior nor any other branch could carry on, the Property and Architect's Department record has a two-fold significance, for the really outstanding report that Lieut.-Colonel Gideon Miller has to present speaks not only of hard work on the part of him and his assistants, but holds a mirror, so to speak, to the Departments to whom such excellent service has been rendered, in which may be seen reflected the abounding vitality which has made the equipment both necessary and possible.

## A Going Concern Behind

It should be understood that while the Property Department, in the case, for instance, of a Corps Citadel, sets to the erection of the building and superintends the financing of the scheme, that upon those who have the responsibility of the Corps upon their shoulders—Divisional Commander, Corps Officer and Locals—is the burden of finding the necessary money to pay down the cash necessary to float the scheme, and for the subsequent clearing off of mortgages, etc. The payment of rent by Corps is adjusted on an equitable basis, dependent upon the amount outstanding and other circumstances. It will therefore be seen that while the Property Department gives help that is available, it can do nothing unless behind it is a live, going concern that both has the confidence of the public, and in it the men and women who are wide awake to use opportunities for the extension of the work committed to their charge.

In the reports from the Men's and Women's Social Departments, and on the Military Repatriation work, mention is made of the erection of a wide range of new Hospitals and other Institutions, as well as the requirement and alteration of other buildings for such uses. They indicate it will have been noted, some of the biggest propositions the Department has yet taken in hand. It is not necessary again to make particular mention of them.

On the Field side of things, the Department has a really wonderful record, which will be seen to be the more so when it is remembered that the five-year period covered has been one of great

Senior Halls—Walsall, Trenton (N.S.), Verdun (base for immediate use, building to be proceeded with when finances permit), Fairbank, St. John's II, Whiteley Pier, Peterboro II, Campbellton, and Paris.

Young People's Halls—North Toronto, Chester (both these at present used also by Seniors, pending procedure with full scheme), West Toronto, Hamilton (senior), Kingston, Rhodes Avenue, West Toronto, Peterboro I, Brantford.

## Properties Remodelled

The following have been altered or enlarged in a manner which to all intents and purposes makes the buildings new.

Senior and Young People's Halls—London I. (including Divisional Headquarters), Brampton (including Officer's Quarters), Lippincott, Aurora, Wychwood, Windsor I, Peterboro I, Springfield.  
Senior Halls—Oshawa, St. John III, Kingston (gallery added).  
Young People's Hall—Montreal.

## Properties Purchased

These have in many cases been extensively altered to make them suitable for the purposes for which they were acquired.

Halls—Niagara Falls, Halifax II. (destroyed in 1917 disaster, but rebuilt), Belleville (Young People's Outpost), Lansdowne, Hamilton IV., Clark's Warehouse, Gananoque (Hall and Quarters taken on long lease).

Officer's Quarters—Stratford, Toronto Temple, Windsor I, London I, Niagara Falls, Hamilton III, Llagar Street, Hamilton I.

## Work Now in Progress

Hall and Quarters—Walsworth, Dartmouth (to replace buildings recently destroyed by fire), Smith's Falls (Hall and Infants' Company Room).

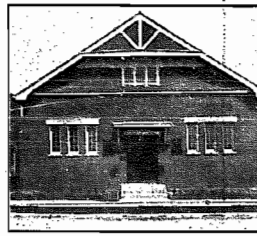
## Schemes Contemplated

That the vitality displayed is very much a thing of the present is clear from the following list of schemes that are under contemplation, the majority of which are live issues. Among them are a number of proposed new openings.

Citadels—Yorkville, Earlscourt, Todmorden, Scarborough, Hamilton I. (including Divisional Headquarters and Young People's Hall), London III, East Toronto, Remond Hall—Belleville (for secure new site and build), West Toronto, Riverdale, Parliament Street, Peterboro (remodel and extend houses for Young

ment of the Fresh Air Camp on Lake Simcoe (Jackman Park). This comprises a large central dormitory building, dining and mess pavilion, a firm cottage for resting Officers, as well as cottages for the staff, kitchen, laundry and a house.

The erection of the William Booth Memorial Training College, Toronto, subscribed for by the



Brampton's Remodelled Hall

public, as a tribute to the memory of the Army's founder, fell within the ten years. The foundation stone was laid by the Commissioner on April 1st, 1916, and it was opened in March the following year, but at the request of the military authorities was immediately leased to them for use as the Dominion Orthopedic Hospital.

Notwithstanding the necessity of a policy of retrenchment so far as minor repairs and renovations were concerned, during the war period considerable work of this kind was done as opportunity and necessity arose, keeping properties from deteriorating and adding to their value and making them a credit to the organization.

## AN EFFECTIVE AUXILIARY

THE Territorial Trade Department is at once an auxiliary that does good service to practically all branches. Owing to the conditions, scarcity and high prices of materials, it has been operated under great difficulties. The Tailoring and Dress-making Sections have had a good deal of special attention from the Commissioner, with a view to making them effective in the supply of uniforms, and during the term of the present Manager, Francis J. Jennings, a quantity of machinery has been installed that facilitates the maintenance of output.

There has also been much development on the line of providing equipment and tools for the Young People's Corps. A considerable Mail Order business is already in existence, and being developed systematically.



St. Catharines' Citadel  
This is an excellent specimen of the large under the supervision of the Property and Architect's Department.

difficulty so far as building conditions are concerned. It has been felt that the process of erecting with schemes was only justifiable when they were made absolutely essential by the immediate needs of the case, or there was such progress being made that additional or better accommodation could not be denied—and always, of course, providing that the conditions governing the financial side could be complied with. The work done is, therefore, even more than in ordinary times, an indication of all-round progress.

## Halls and Officers' Quarters

The following is a classified record of the Halls, Officers' Quarters, etc., built or acquired in the five years, 1915-1919.

## Halls Erected

Senior and Young People's Halls—St. Catharines, Hamilton, Peterboro, Kingston, Rhodes Avenue, West Toronto, Peterboro I, Brantford.

Peoples' Corps, Lindsay, Midland (also Quarters), Sudbury, Hamilton (Dormitory), St. Stephen (store and rooms purchased for Hall and Quarters), Charlottetown, Newmarket, Devonport (Senior Gallery and new Young People's Hall).

Officers' Quarters—Essex, Palmerston, Wingham.

## Financial Summary

Cost of erections.....	\$297,726.00
Alterations to Hostels.....	1,183,000.00
Remodelled buildings.....	3,088,700.00
Purchases of buildings and lots.....	102,570.00
General Alterations and Repairs.....	92,000.00
Total.....	\$583,977.00
Appropriated cost of buildings now under construction, but uncompleted.....	219,950.00
Grand Total.....	\$803,927.00

These amounts include the Social and Military sections, but not schemes which may be in contemplation, but on which no start has been made. A few of interest was the establish-



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### NEW GLASGOW

The total number of seekers during November was thirty-nine. On Sunday, Dec. 7th, three more sought Salvation. One man said that as soon as he entered the door he felt





